

REMARKS

The first paragraph of the specification has been amended to insert (1) a section heading in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.77 (b) and (2) a claim for benefit of the filing dates of International Application PCT/IT 2003/000843 and Italian Application TO 2002 A 001099, in accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.78 and 1.55, respectively.

Claims 1-17 are pending. These claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency and to better comply with U.S. format.

No new matter has been added.

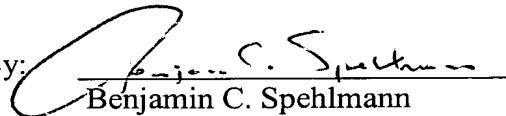
It is respectfully requested that the above amendments be entered prior to examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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